

## NEWS FROM OUR EARLY FILES

### TEN YEAR AGO

**FEBRUARY 14, 1980**  
 \*\*\*The Coffee County Commission met in regular session on Monday, February 11, at the courthouse in Elba and heard that Tax Assessor Mac McKinney may have to make back payments to the State Revenue Department for not adjusting tax rates on automobiles.

\*\*\*Sam Collier is Chairman of the Advisory Council on Vocational Education for Coffee County. The Council is to assist in the development of local plans for vocational and occupational education. Its recommendations are made to the local board, but can influence State Department planners also.

\*\*\*The 6th annual Festival sponsored by Coffee County Arts Alliance will be held from now on be known as "Piney Woods Arts Festival." The new name was selected from several thousand submitted by school children of Coffee County in a contest directed by Dr. Kenneth Strong of Elba.

\*\*\*Mr. and Mrs. Albert Lee M. Lee request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their daughter, Deborah, to Mr. Robert Curran, on Saturday, the sixteenth of February, nineteen hundred and eighty, at five o'clock in the afternoon, at the Elba United Methodist Church.

\*\*\*The Elba Tigers snatched their 11-game losing streak last Friday night with an exciting come-from-behind win over the Zion Chapel Rebels. The Tigers trailed by ten points at the half, but rallied for the win and upped their record 4-12.

### TWENTY YEARS AGO

**FEBRUARY 12, 1970**  
 \*\*\*A early morning fire Wednesday destroyed the O. C. Morrow Grocery. The first fire alarm was sounded about 1 a.m. and another was heard about 3:30 a.m. The roof of the building was in flames soon after the blaze was discovered and firemen concentrated their efforts on preventing the fire from spreading to adjacent buildings that were already showing signs of excessive heat.

\*\*\*Picture on front page - First to Qualify Saturday were H. D. Tillman for Sheriff, Kimmie Dorsey for Probate Judge, Miss Gladys Clark for Circuit Clerk, Edna May Whitman for Commissioner, James Sawyer for Probate Judge and Buster Bowden for Probate Judge.

\*\*\*Recently Ralph L. Brunson, General Executive of the Metropolitan Nashville, Tennessee YMCA, was elected to a three year term as President of the Southern Regional YMCAs Association. Brunson is an Executive Director. Ralph is the son of Mrs. Kate Brunson and the late Frost Brunson.

\*\*\*Dr. and Mrs. James H. Parnanos announce the birth of a son, Timothy Gray. He arrived January 27, 1970 at 8:27 a.m. in a Demopolis, Alabama Hospital.

\*\*\*Mrs. John Kendrick of Zion Chapel spent last week in Enterprise with her son and family, Reverend Paul Kendrick. She spent last weekend in Opp with another son and family, Reverend Lamar Kendrick.

### THIRTY YEARS AGO

**FEBRUARY 18, 1960**  
 \*\*\*Circuit Judge T. Worth Thagard of Greenville will decide a civil suit brought by the Coffee County School Board against the City of Elba to collect \$60,000 which the county board claims is due for school construction in this city.

\*\*\*Formal approval was given by Elba City Council Monday evening to the Elba Housing Authority's plans and specification for street lines, curbs, water and sewer lines in the slum clearance area at the intersection of the Troy and Brantley roads.

\*\*\*Maxwell Reeves, Elba furniture man, has been appointed County Service Officer to succeed Thomas E. Bowden who held that post until his appointment as Tax Assessor.

\*\*\*Jimmy Sanders, popular Tiger football quarterback last season, has proved himself adept at the roundball sport, becoming a top reserve for the local game five. Jimmy's best output was against Greenville, when he hit for six points.

\*\*\*MARRIAGE LICENSES: Paul Clifford Morrow, 22, Elba and Miss Nancy Hart Camley, 19, Elba.

\*\*\*Picture on front page - Mr. Sam McCollough and his wife, Mrs. Wade Malloy, are examining some of Mr. McCollough's fine lupine. The lupine average well over three feet high on January 31 when this picture was taken.

### FORTY YEARS AGO

**FEBRUARY 16, 1950**  
 \*\*\*"Twelve O'clock High," the motion picture made at Camp Rucker, will be shown at the Elba Theatre Tuesday and Wednesday, February 28 and March 1. The movie is based on the U.S. Army Air Corps, features Gregory Peck and was actually filmed at Camp Rucker.

\*\*\*Picture on front page - Mr. Sam McCollough and his wife, Mrs. Wade Malloy, are examining some of Mr. McCollough's fine lupine. The lupine average well over three feet high on January 31 when this picture was taken.

## Dean's List Named At Capstone

A total of 2,109 students enrolled during the fall quarter at the University of Alabama made the Dean's List with academic records of between 3.5 (B-plus) and 4.0 (A). Dr. Douglas Jones, acting vice president for Academic Affairs recently stated.

The Dean's List recognizes full-time graduates.

Graduates from this area include: Elba - Lee Hunter Coleman, Lesley Pauline Ham, Merril Jill Maddox, and Toby Dean Reeves.

Troy - Christopher Michael Cole, and Wade Douglas McLen-don, Jr.

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## FORTY-SIX YEARS AFTER HEROICS

## Douglas Gibbs awarded WW II Bronze Star Medal

Douglas Gibbs was one of thousands of American young men who went off to war in 1943 to defend his country. They fought for their lives in places most had never heard of before being dispatched there with a rifle, full load of ammunition and a few cans of food commonly called "C rations". There were many times during the battles when the soldiers still didn't know exactly where they were fighting. It was clear to them however that they were in a hostile land occupied by hostile people who were dedicated to killing American soldiers.

In 1944 Gibbs found himself in the heat of battle on a group of islands in the South Pacific. An infantryman in the U. S. Army, he spent 37 days in the row "fighting like hell" in the front lines as the Americans battled for control of



## BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

We read the story of a couple planning to have a baby to get the necessary bone marrow transplant for their 15 year old daughter. Doctors say she will die without the good transplant. We are hearing some criticism of this couple for their actions. We haven't been there personally, but think we should all ask ourselves what we would do to save the life of one of our children. The other extreme is being played out in another part of America. A man in Virginia is refusing a bone marrow test to see if he is a match to help his young son. The mother is in court trying to force the issue. She can't win that one, regardless of what we might think is right. A side note on this last case is that the mother and father are not and have never been married (at least not to each other). We understand he simply refuses to find out if he is a proper donor and that is his right in this country.

The Communist Party is out of favor right now in most of the world, including Russia. Note we said *right now* because there is no guarantee it is gone from the world. We are surprised that the real experts are predicting Communism is gone, when it could resurface even stronger in Russia following something like an earthquake, crop failure, etc. When people decided even under the Communist Party things were not as bad as after the commies.

We heard a self-proclaimed expert on world affairs indicate that with the demise of communism, the battle will be between the U.S. and our free democracy and Japan with their more closed "military type" way of doing business. We will wait and see cause we ain't smart enough to make such wise predictions.

Gosh, we are full of solutions for world problems! We heard that all rhetoric where the folks in Poland are demanding to be at the table on unification of East and West Germany. We understand their concern because the Germans did invade their country at the beginning of WWII. But we don't think the Polish people have gotten their problems at hand in good enough shape to take over any part of ruling Germany.

Daniel Stephens was one of the adults taking a group of teenagers to New Orleans last weekend. While some thought they were crazy for going down there with a bus load of teens, Daniel thought otherwise. Monday after they returned, he called us to report that when he hears about all the bad things teens are doing, he can remember those on his New Orleans trip. He said they were well mannered and he was proud to be seen with them!

We are getting a lot of rain these days, in fact folks we have had enough of that H<sub>2</sub>O for a while. Also those storms got awful close to home last week. We were within minutes of driving right into one of those tomatoes last Friday morning. Thank goodness, we didn't even know how close we were until we watched the 6 p.m. news Friday night and realized we had skirted disaster. Sunday we heard the preacher saying that "it rains on the just and the unjust". Therefore however you read just and unjust, you can expect to get wet... it says so in the bible and you can find out this week by just walking outside.

The indictments in Montgomery of the hardcore porn satellite network makes good PR for the Montgomery District Attorney, but is really a waste of time. Those folks don't live or even visit Alabama. They are not breaking any Federal laws and as bad as we might want to be rid of that trash, they can hide behind their American Freedoms.

### Local Students Inducted Into Honor Society

More than 400 students were inducted into the University of Alabama chapter of the Gamma Beta Phi Honor Society during recent ceremonies.

The honor society is open to students who have completed 30 hours and have a 3.0 grade point average.

Students from this area include: Elba - Lesley Pauline Hiam; Enterprise - Scott Henderson Brown, Debra Elizabeth Herod, and Mary Frances Weatherford.

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THE LION'S CLUB PANCAKE BREAKFAST for sight will be held on March 3 at the Elementary School cafeteria from 6:00 a.m. until 10:00 a.m. City crews do a great job of keeping us informed - we appreciate you Larry Eddins, and James Daniels, and especially Ed Compton, (not pictured), who literally showed up while trying to put the sign up on Friday in the heavy rain. This city crew goes above and beyond the line of duty.

### Scholarship Applications Now Available

Applications are now available at junior colleges throughout the state for The University of Alabama Alumni Junior College Honors Scholarship. Applicants must have at least a 3.0 grade point average on a 4.0 scale. The applicant must plan to enter The University as a junior with at least 64 semester hours or 96 quarter hours.

The scholarship is for \$1,500.00 per year for two years. Applications must be received in the National Alumni Association Office by March 15, 1990 and the applicant must have applied for admission to

### National Peanut Poundage To Increase

USDA's Under Secretary of Agriculture, Richard T. Crowder, recently announced the national peanut poundage quota, on Friday. The established new quota for the 1990 marketing year is 1,560,000 short tons, or 3,120 million pounds. Representing a 8.3 percent increase, the level is 120,000 tons over the 1989 level of 1,440,000 tons.

Crowder stated, "The U.S. Department of Agriculture is required by law, to announce the final national poundage quota, for the 1990 marketing year, by December 15." As required by the Agricultural Adjustment Act, as amended, the national poundage quota for the 1990 crop, has been set at a level that is equal to the estimated quality of peanuts, that will be devoted to domestic edible, seed, and related uses in the 1990 marketing year. The marketing year begins August 11, 1990.

### ELBA POLICE REPORT

The Elba Police Department activity for the week beginning Tuesday, February 13, included the investigation of the following incidents:

One theft, one assault, one criminal mischief and two reckless endangerment.

Arrests made during the week were as follows: two for reckless driving, three for D.U.I., one for rape, one for sodomy, seven for speeding, one for improper lights, one for driving on the wrong side of the road, one for driving while suspended, one for disorderly conduct and one for attempting to elude.

Daily activity was as follows: TUESDAY, FEB. 13 Routine activity

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 14 Wreck on Hwy. 84E (6:58 a.m.); Wreck on Buford St. (12:59 p.m.); Wreck on Claxton Ave. (6:02 p.m.); Fight @ Vaughan Apts. (8:14 p.m.); Prowler @ residence on Co. Rd. 79 (10:04 p.m.).

THURSDAY, FEB. 15 Rescue run to residence on Stroudmire St. (12:09 p.m.); Disturbance @ Morrow Village (3:39 p.m.); Routine activity.

FRIDAY, FEB. 16 Possible tornado touchdown on Hwy. 87N. (10:03 a.m.); Fight on Jones St. (1:45 p.m.); Rescue run to residence on Jackson St. (5:16 p.m.); Disturbance on Bourbon St. (6:59 p.m.); Rescue run to residence in Victoria Community (7:22 p.m.).

SATURDAY, FEB. 17 Alarm @ residence on Morrow Ave. (7:20 a.m.); Alarm @ Peoples Bank (11:38 p.m.); Routine activity.

SUNDAY, FEB. 18 Rescue run to residence on Co. Rd. 110 (8:59 a.m.); Rescue run to Hoco (9:19 a.m.); Routine activity.

MONDAY, FEB. 19 Wreck @ Kleinert's parking lot (4:09 p.m.); Rescue run (6:37 p.m.); Routine activity.

## OBITUARIES

### DARRON ANWTHON ROBINSON

Darron Anwthon Robinson, age 14, died on Sunday, February 11, 1990, after injuries sustained in an automobile accident.

Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m., Thursday, February 15, 1990, from the Philadelphia Baptist Church, Pansey, AL., with Rev. C. L. Patterson officiating. Burial followed in the church cemetery with Hammond Funeral Home directing.

Mr. Robinson leaves to cherish his memories his mother - Ms. Jeanette Robinson of Gordon, AL.; three sisters - Ms. Laucha Robinson and Ms. Rosheda Robinson both of Gordon, AL.; one brother - Mr. Kendrick Robinson of Gordon, AL.; his God-father - Mr. James Wheeler of Gordon, AL.; his God-mother - Mrs. Rhonda Miller of Columbia, AL.; four aunts - Mrs. Mary Diane Felder of Gordon, AL.; Mrs. Mary A. Robinson of New York, N.Y.; Mrs. Cora Snell and Mrs. Queenie Mae Street of Cottonwood, AL.; one uncle -

Mr. Willie James Ashley of Stanley Island, N.Y.; four great uncles; six great aunts; and a host of relatives and friends.

### MRS. CHRISTINE BARNES

Mrs. Christine Barnes, age 48, died on Saturday, February 10, 1990 in Elba General Hospital.

Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m., Saturday, February 17, 1990 at the Harris Temple Church of God in Christ, Elba, AL., with Elder W. T. Harris officiating. Burial followed in the Rocky Head cemetery, Elba, AL., with Hammond Funeral Home directing.

She leaves to cherish her memory her devoted and loving husband - Mr. Federal Barnes; two daughters - Florence Barnes of Montgomery, AL., and Melanie Green of Ansbach, Germany; four sons - Teddy Barnes of Enterprise, AL.; Terry Barnes of Opa, AL.; Perry Barnes of Norfolk, VA., and Frederick Barnes of Elba, AL.; one son-in-law - Freddie Green, Jr. of Ansbach, Germany; her mother - Johnnie Knox of Gary, IN.; three sisters - Lois Tubbs and Edna Gains, both of Gary, IN., and Vernell Richardson of Port Byron, N.Y.; one brother - William Knox of Gary, IN.; her mother-in-law - Julie Barnes of Elba, AL.; six brothers-in-law - Haven Tubbs of Gary, IN.; Donald Richardson of Port Byron, N.Y.; Murry (Phillis) Barnes, Joe (Shirley) Barnes, Zarril Barnes and Nathaniel Barnes all of Elba, AL.; three sisters-in-law - Kathy Barnes of Hempstead, N.Y.; Sarah Barnes and Jeanette (Marvin) Siler, both of Elba, AL.; six grandchildren, Demorris Barnes of Enterprise, AL.; Shannon Phillips of Auburn, N.Y.; Traneisha and Christina Caldwell of Opa, AL.; Sheldon Green of Troy, AL.; and Tiffany Green of Ansbach, Germany; nieces, nephews, and a host of relatives and friends.

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### New Brockton 5th Grade 4-H Club Meets

The New Brockton Elementary School's fifth grade girls held their 4-H meeting on February 6.

Janice Perry and Leanna Pynes led to girls in singing, "This Land is Your Land", and "Do Your Ears Hang Low?"

Vice President Ashley Rodgers, led the Pledge of Allegiance and the 4-H Pledge. Secretary Shannon Lott called the roll and read the minutes of the last meeting. The devotional was given by Renee Ammons.

Members turned in their pillow projects and poster art. Mrs. Angela Hughes gave the program on "Just Say No".

By: Ronnie DeVaughan  
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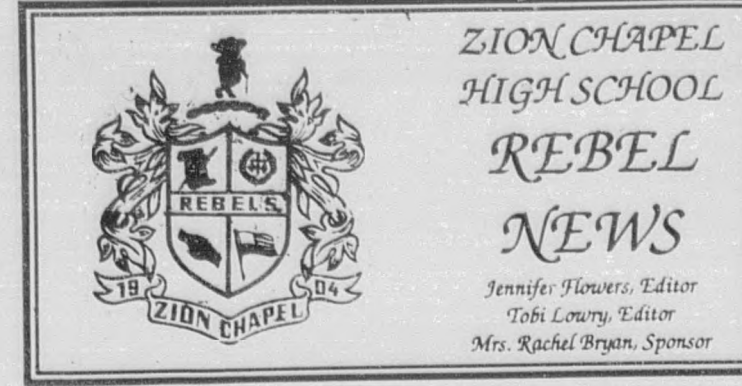
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## John O'Reilly Conducts Zion Chapel Rebel Band

By: Camille Haynes

The band students of Zion Chapel High School were recently honored by a visit from one of the most renowned composers of band music today, Mr. John O'Reilly.

Mr. O'Reilly worked with the band for two hours. They played scales and full band arrangements from Mr. O'Reilly's book "Yamaha Band Student." We were impressed with Mr. O'Reilly's knowledge and his ability to appeal to the younger band students. His presence in that two hours motivated me as the other band members and that motivation showed tremendously in the band's performance that morning. He agreed to give most of the student's his autograph.

The Zion Chapel Rebel Band was chosen to perform for the 1990 South-eastern United States Band Clinic. To play at such a prestigious event and to be under the direction of such a musically talented person was a once in a lifetime chance for the Rebel Band. Never before had a small band been selected for such a superior event. The Rebel Band performed their concert at 11:30 a.m. followed by a tour of Long Hall. The students saw all types of instruments, mouthpieces, music and uniforms. This experience is something we will always remember.

The Zion Chapel Band members, Jennifer Flowers, clarinet, and Sacey Black, flute, were chosen for the Third Annual Southeastern United States Honor Band. Jennifer and Sacey were both chosen for the Crimson Band under the direction of Mr. George Ca-

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## ZC Students Rewrite "Gone With The Wind"

By: Rachel Bryan

Several years ago I found that Mrs. June Brown had the same interest and love for the book "Gone With The Wind" that I did. I have for many years required my American History students to read the book for several reasons, many of them have already been printed in stories for the "Rebel News".

I must also tell you that many of the ideas that I have had for activities for my students in connection with "Gone With The Wind", have come from Mrs. Brown. And this year she came up with a new idea that I will probably use many times in the future. After reading the "Rebel News", that it was time for the book to be read. Mrs. Brown met me in the high school hallway one morning and told me that she had been thinking about the assignment. She said, "Wouldn't it be fun to read how your students thought the book should end?"

I agreed that it would be a good idea to have a writing assignment for them. I wanted them to rewrite the ending of "Gone With The Wind". This was a one-period assignment and what follows is the result of how the book should end.

Most of the students, in their re-writes, wanted Ashley and Scarlett to live with Scarlett. These students also wanted Melanie to live. Those that didn't want Rhett to come back and get married. One imaginative student wrote that Scarlett forgets Rhett, she becomes one of the richest women in Atlanta, and that she becomes a champion of women's rights.

More than one student wanted to rewrite the end of the book concentrating

on Ashley. These students thought that Ashley was a wimp and in their rewrites they make him a more decisive man who was much more masculine. They wanted him to be bigger in stature with more muscles.

Perhaps the most imaginative re-write that was turned in was the one that said that it was all a dream. Scarlett wakes up and realizes that it is the day of the Wilkes barbecue and that everything in the book had been a dream. And the year was 1866 - there had been no Civil War.

Mrs. Brown, Special Services coordinator for Coffee County Schools, told me one time that when the copyright on "Gone With The Wind" expired, she would like to write a sequel to the book. We have had many fun conversations about how we would change the book and who we would get to play Rhett, Butler. We agree that Clark Gable is a hard act to follow!

Winners in the FBIA Valentine Contest were: Michelle Oglesby, Wesley Messer, and Jennifer Flowers.

By: Sharon Rodgers

A Valentine's Dance, a Valentine Bag Decorating Contest at the monthly meeting of the Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA). Other business at the meeting concerning the continuing "Love Potions" project and the District Meeting that is coming soon.

President Stephanie Goodson called the meeting to order and asked the secretary, Melissa Johnson, to call the roll and read the minutes of the last meeting. They were approved as they were read. Then President Goodson asked the membership to stand and recite the FBLA Creed in unison.

Under the heading of business Mrs. Rachel Bryan, FBLA sponsor, explained the last effort in the "Love Potions" project. She displayed a stuffed teddy bear and explained that the person who put the most pennies in the "Love Potions" box at the March 6 meeting would win the bear. The teddy bear is red and white. Other old business discussed was the fund-raiser and the District Meeting.

Mrs. Mary Herbert and Mrs. Melinda Hodge judged the bags that had been decorated by those participating in the bag decorating contest. Michelle Oglesby won first place, Jennifer Flowers won second place, Wesley Messer won third place. They were awarded prizes of chocolate candy.

The FBLA members exchanged valentines and Mrs. Bryan gave every member a bag of candy. The bag was decorated with a heart and the letters FBLA. The bags had been prepared by Stephanie Goodson.

The meeting was then adjourned and refreshments were served. The refreshments were provided by Sharon Rodgers, Camille Haynes, and Jeffery Flowers.

By: Melissa Johnson

A Valentine's Dance, the location of a student telephone, the installation of a Student Government Association (SGA) bulletin board were items of business discussed by the SGA at the February meeting.

Michelle Oglesby, John Parrish, Tobi Lowry, and Niki Pilcher were appointed to a committee to decide on the location for the telephone that the SGA wants to have installed on campus. The SGA wants the pay telephone to be an outside telephone so that students who have to stay after school will have access to a telephone.

When asked about the reason for the Valentine's Dance, Vice President Stephanie Goodson said, "We hope that the Valentine's Dance is a huge success. It is not a fundraiser, however, it is for the students at Zion Chapel High School to have a good time. The SGA mission is to help pay for the expenses for having the dance." Stephanie

also told the Rebel News that Jeff Husey had been chosen to be the disc jockey for the dance.

By: Denise Flowers

The possibility of a trip to Six Flags Over Georgia or a pizza party was the main business discussed at the February meeting of the Spanish Club. The club discussed raising the money to carry out either of these projects.

After the business meeting, the membership of the Spanish Club enjoyed a Valentine's party. Each member brought a different kind of refreshment to share. There was also a Valentine's cake and heart-shaped candies.

The members exchanged valentines and gifts. They had drawn names at an earlier date for exchanging gifts.

By: Carlena Rodgers

Eric Jones, a junior at Zion Chapel High School, is in the job spotlight this week. Eric is employed at the Officer's Club at Fort Rucker.

Eric works as a busboy at the Officer's Club. His work includes cleaning tables after patrons have completed their meal, setting up for parties, and cleaning up after parties, and some times serving food when the waitresses are really busy.

Eric said he was looking for work and had applied in several places. The Officer's Club was one place he had applied. He got the job. He works after school from 5 until 10:30 p.m. and on the weekends from 7 p.m. until 1 a.m.

Eric says that he likes his work and that it is a good job to have while in high school, but it's not one he would like to make a career.

By: Deena Grant

Chris Camley, Steve Hodge, Chris Hodge, and Tim Tidwell competed in a weightlifting competition held at the W. S. Neal High School in Brewton, Alabama.

Steve Hodge won in his division and Chris Hodge placed second in his division. Steve Hodge weighs 81 pounds and Chris Hodge weighs 98 pounds. The division that they competed in is determined by weight.

Couch Clinch McCrory said that the main purpose for the students to compete was for the challenge of competition and for the opportunity of meeting other athletes. He also said that it helps build the strength necessary to win in other areas of competition. Coach McCrory is in charge of the weightlifting program.

The next weightlifting competition that Zion Chapel athletes will attend will be held on April 12 in Russellville, Alabama.

By: Kris Scarborough

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BY RICKY MULARZ

Oh well, at least the frogs are happy! I don't have a very good memory, so, I could be wrong. However, it seems to me that we've had at least two or three days of rain every week since the first of the year. I know the stories we tell the kids about how rain makes the grass grow and the flowers bloom, but enough is enough!

## ELBA TIGERS POST 13-10 REGULAR SEASON RECORD

I told Elba's Coach Hank Kennedy last week that he must have had a case of temporary insanity when he made out this year's schedule and left Brantley, Hillcrest and Pike County all in the final week of the regular season. After all, Brantley had one of the top teams in the state in the 2A ranks, Hillcrest had the best athletes in Conecuh County and Pike County was always tough, especially in Brantley. Well, the Tigers won two of the three games last week to finish the regular season with a 13-10 record and gained a lot of momentum in the process. Maybe Coach Kennedy knew something I didn't!

Elba played perhaps its best basketball of the season last week and should be ready and waiting to swing into action this week in the Area 3 tournament. The Tigers did get outscored by Brantley early in the week, but manhandled a talented Hillcrest squad and then closed out the week by posting a wild win over Pike County, in Brantley. If those three games didn't give the Tigers a shot of confidence, nothing will.

The inside power of Jackie Stoudemire and Curry Jones was very evident again last week as they scored in double figures in every game and combined for over 15 rebounds per contest. Stoudemire has been one of the sparks in recent weeks that has led to the Tigers' resurgence, while Jones is still improving almost every night and can dominate at times in the paint.

While Stoudemire and Jones have been solid inside, the real key to the Tigers' success in recent weeks has been the overall play of Bennie Daniels. A 5-9 junior, is the point guard for the Tigers' fast-paced attack and as he goes, so goes the Tigers. In the last four weeks, Daniels has averaged over 23 points per game and has twice posted in 34 points. Daniels does make some turnovers that cause Coach Kennedy's hair to turn a little gray, however, there can be no doubt that Bennie Daniels is the key that unlocks the Tigers' success.

Tonight's (Thursday) game against Louisville, in the opening round of the Area 3 tournament, could be a tough one, especially since the Tigers have already beaten Louisville three times this season. The losses will have the Red Devils fired up and determined, while the wins could have the Tigers' level of intensity a little less than it should be for a game which carries so much importance. If Elba plays up to its potential it should win and move on to the Area finals; however, anything less could mean a sudden end to the season. It should be interesting!

## IT'S TOURNAMENT TIME FOR AREA BASKETBALL TEAMS

Area basketball tournaments are taking place this week across the state and in south Alabama the action should be fast and furious as the teams in the Clippers coverage area fight for spots in sub-state and possible the state tournament. Here's a quick look at what it looks like as the "second season" gets underway.

**\*\*\*NEW BROCKTON (20-4)** dropped three of its last four regular season games and lost a lot of its intimidation factor in the 2A ranks. The Gamecocks losses came to 3A teams Elba and Laverne and 2A Geneva County, all of which had solid teams. However, the losses came at the worst possible time for the Gamecocks, who were hoping to peak just prior to the tourney. I don't know if the Gamecocks have peaked yet or not, but I do know that they don't play as well as they can this week the season will end on a disappointing note.

**\*\*\*BRANTLEY (20-2)** closed out the regular season playing like the team everyone expected to see all season long and it appears the Bulldogs are peaking right on schedule. Brantley has one of the top players in the state in Wesley Person, who has averaged over 34 points a game in the past four weeks, and a supporting cast that is more than capable of stepping in and carrying the load, is needed. I don't know if the Bulldogs have the team to win it all, but they should find out at Auburn in two weeks.

**\*\*\*ZION CHAPEL (12-14)** was down and about to get counted out, but got up off the floor last Friday night to pound Kinston and may have received a breath of life. The Rebels had to meet Brantley Tuesday night in the opening round of the Area tournament and the season is probably over for Zion Chapel; however, the Rebels did some big things this season and set the tone for years to come.

**\*\*\*KINSTON (11-10)** has had its ups and downs during the season, but should have more than enough to make it out of the Area tournament this week and advance on to sub-state. The Bulldogs at times look like Bulldog teams of old, while at other times the Bulldogs are flat, and get flattened. I guess we'll just have to see which set of Dogs show up.

## YOUTH BASKETBALL SEASON WAS FUN FOR ALL

The Youth Basketball League ended its season last week in Elba and while there were winners and losers on the scoreboard, there were no losers in the hearts of the kids. The coaches did a great job of teaching the kids and the improvement of the teams was amazing, while the kids gave it all they had every single minute, no matter what their size, or the size of their opponent. Yep, it was a winning season for everyone involved!

## NEED AN OUT? WHY NOT TRY COACHING

Registration is now underway for the various youth softball and baseball leagues in the city and while there are more than enough players to go around, there is a need for coaches. This year there will be a total of 30 youth teams in action, with 18 baseball teams and 12 softball teams. A coach needs to be dedicated to the kids on his/her team, be willing to give up some spare time to practice and coach at games and be tough enough to take some criticism when parents wonder out loud why their kids are getting into play. However, anyone who has ever coached can tell you the advantages far outweigh the negatives. Think about it and give it a shot. Remember, it's for the kids!

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## SPORTS

## Tigers rip Pike County 65-58

The Elba Tigers closed out the regular season on a winning note Friday night when they traveled to Brantley and came home with an exciting 65-58 win over the Pike County Bulldogs.

The win gave the Tigers a 13-10 regular season record, while Pike County ended the regular season with a 4-13 slate.

Pike County opened the game with a bang and stunned the Tigers by jumping out to a quick 9-0 lead. A three-pointer by Elba's Bennie Daniels with 4:56 put the Tigers on the scoreboard, while a basket and two free-throws by Curry Jones enabled the Tigers to chop the lead to 9-7 with 3:13 left in the opening stanza.

Pike County rallied late to increase its lead to 14-7, but the Tigers, again refused to quit and pulled within 16-14 at the end of the stanza on another three-point by Daniels.

A layup by Ronald McKinnon with 4:33 left in the half pulled the Tigers even at 24-24; however, Pike County answered the challenge with three quick buckets and with the smoke had cleared it was the Bulldogs who had emerged with the wild 8-7 victory.

The two rivals swapped buckets early in the game, with Brantley moving on top midway through the opening stanza 10-7 on a basket by Chad Carpenter.

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The game as the Tigers held on for the impressive 65-58 road win. Elba, which hit only 14 of 41 free-throws opportunities during the game, was led in scoring by Bennie Daniels with 28 points, while Curry Jones and Kevin Barnes both added 10. Pike County, which hit only 7 of 24 free-throws chances, was paced by Seymour with 20 points, including 18 in the first half.

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P 16 20 8 14 - 58

Elba (65): Daniels 28, McKinnon 3, Jones 10, Stoudemire 8, Barnes 10, Rowe 6.

P.C. (58): Seymour 20, Foster 6, Harris 18, Carter 8, Coleman 2, Bryant 4.

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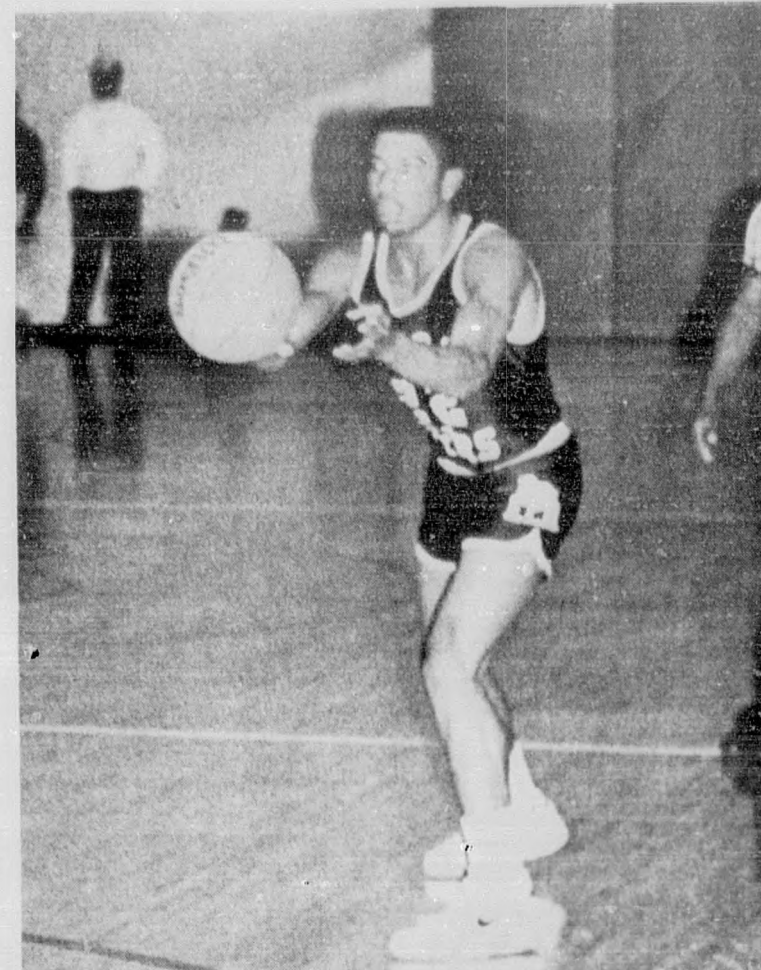
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Elba's Ronald McKinnon (22) passes to a teammate during a Tiger win. The Tigers will host the Louisville Red Devils this week in the Area 3 tournament, with a win earning Elba a spot in next week's sub-state tourney.

## Elba hosting 3A, Area 3 basketball tournament

The Elba Tigers will host the Class 3A, Area 3 Basketball Tournament this week, with two teams hunting for berths in next week's Sub-State action.

The action started Tuesday night with Laverne meeting Rehobeth, while in action tonight (Thursday) will be Zion Chapel and Kinston. The Rebels had been mired in a losing streak heading into the season finale against their cross-county rivals from Kinston, but took out their frustrations on the Bulls.

The Bulls finished 2-4 and the Bulls 0-6. Following are highlights of the final day of action:

**HAWS 38**  
**SPURS 21**

The Hawks put the finishing touches on a perfect season by whipping the Spurs 38-21. The Hawks led only 12-8 after one quarter, but extended their lead to 27-12 by the end of the half and rolled to the win.

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## Elba B team posts 15-4 record

The Elba Tiger B team closed out an impressive season with three straight wins last week as they ended the season with a record of 15 wins and only 4 losses.

The Tigers opened the week with a 45-44 win over Brantley, then cruised past Hillcrest 56-41 and Pike County 48-41, to end the season with a bang.

Following are highlights of the three wins:

**ELBA 45**  
**BRANTLEY 44**

Ronald Thigpen scored late to lift the Tigers to a thrilling 45-44 win over Brantley.

The Tigers jumped ahead 19-10 in the first quarter and held onto the lead until late in the game, only to need the heroics of Thigpen to pull out the win.

Dee Miller scored 22 points to lead Elba, while E. Person scored 14 for Brantley.

Elba (45): N. Whitfield 4, T. Whitfield 7, Ware 2, Miller 22, McMillan 5, Thigpen 5.

Brantley (44): Thomas 12, Person 14, Walker 5, Caldwell 13.

**ELBA 56**  
**HILLCREST 41**

The Tigers broke loose in the final stanza to defeat Hillcrest, of Evergreen, 56-41.

The Tigers had a fight on their hands in the opening three quarters and were tied at 36-36 going into the final stanza, only to outscore Hillcrest 20-5 in the fourth quarter to claim the win.

Dee Miller and Gary Ware scored 14 points each to pace Elba, while Marzine McMillan added 11 and Nick Whitfield scored 10. Burt scored 13 for Hillcrest.

Elba (56): N. Whitfield 10, T. Whitfield 3, Ware 14, Miller 14, Caldwell 2, Dawkins 2, McMillan 11.

Hillcrest (41): Taylor 10, Mitchell 2, Rudolph 6, McWilliams 2, Lee 1, Johnson 6, Fluker 2, Burt 13.

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Dee Miller (24) fires in a shot during a recent win in B team basketball action. The Elba B team, coached by Bill Rayborn, finished the season with an outstanding 15-4 record.

The Tigers outscored Pike County 10-2 in the closing minutes to claim a wild 48-41 win.

The Tigers jumped ahead 10-4 in the first quarter, but saw Pike County slowly catch up and had to rally late to claim the win.

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added 11. C. Rogers scored 15 for Pike County.

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P.C. (41): Hoby 5, Myhand 6, Anthony 2, Rogers 15, Jones 2, Alexander 9.

## Pistons clip Nets in 12 and Under season finale

The Nets wrapped up the championship of the 12 and Under division of the Elba Youth Basketball League two weeks ago, but saw their dreams of an undefeated season end on the final day of action as the Pistons upset the Nets to claim sole possession of second place.

The Nets won the division with a 5-1 record, followed by the Pistons 3-3, Bucks 2-4 and Lakers 2-4.

Following are highlights of the final day's action:

**LAKERS 28**  
**BUCKS 18**

The Lakers pulled ahead early and held on to defeat the Bucks 28-18.

The Lakers jumped ahead 13-2 in the first half and rolled to the big win.

Dundray Peterson scored 15 points to lead the Lakers, while other scorers included Todd Hooks 8, Rudy Free 3 and Robert Hooks 2. Scoring for the Bucks were Tony Orden 12 and Shandee Daniels 6.

**PISTONS 33**  
**NETS 27**

The Pistons pulled ahead early and turned back a late challenge to knock off the Nets 33-27.

The Pistons grabbed a 9-6 first quarter lead, extended their lead to 20-11 at the half and held on late to post the win.

Brian Rowe scored 14 points to lead the Pistons, while other scorers included Rosco Coleman 13, Neil Tillis 4, Jamie Holley 1 and Marcus Parker 1. Scoring for the Nets were Todd Grantham 11, Eddie Cowen 6, Undrau Chism 4, Griffin Shirley 4 and Earl Caldwell 2.

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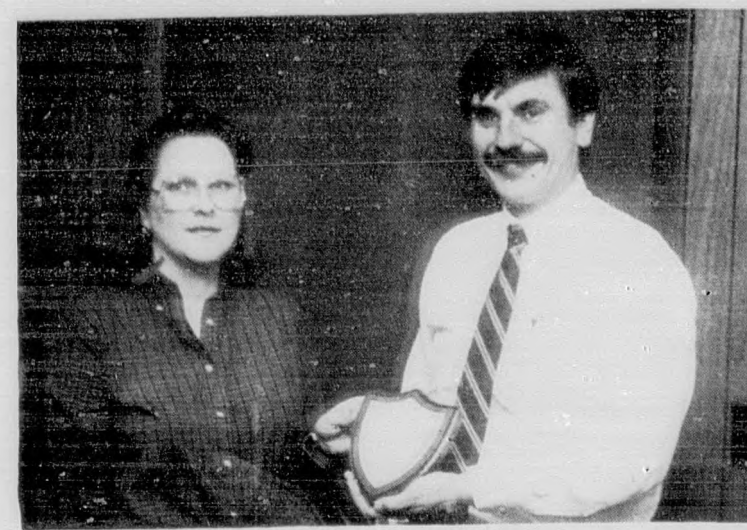








**MR. OSCAR W. ADAMS RETIRED** recently from the DynCorp, Fort Rucker Division. He had been employed since October 1954. A retirement ceremony was held in his honor at Lowe Field, where Mr. Adams was presented the DynCorp Certificate of Appreciation by Richard D. Kenyon, Division Manager, shown above - (left to right): Robert Chipman, Director, Quality; Lamar Grice, Manager, Lowe Field; Mr. Adams, Richard D. Kenyon, Division Manager and Cecil Strickland, Director of Operations. Mr. Adams and his wife, Evelyn, plan to enjoy his retirement and spend time with their children Charlotte E. Cook and Terry W., and their four grandchildren.



**SUE MAULDIN** has been selected as "Employee of the Month" for January at Dorsey Trailers. Mrs. Mauldin is a secretary in the Production Department, and has been employed at Dorsey for about five years. General Manager Nick Culich presented her with a plaque, and expressed appreciation for the good job she does for the company.

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#### ELBA GENERAL HOSPITAL REPORT

Persons admitted to the Elba General Hospital during the period of February 13 through February 20 were:

Jessie Alma Free, Kristy Hudson, Claude Lee Rhoades, Winnie Folsom, Ethel Fillingim, Lena M. Seay, Donald Jones, Flettie Blair, Allen Johnson, John Askew, Frances Benson, Evelyn Bryant, and Buster Maddox.

Persons discharged during the same time period were:

Annie Jean Tyson, Malcolm Roberts, Robert Kelley, Odessa Osborne, Anthony Hunt, Flettie Blair, Lester Taylor, Sibley Daniels, Lena Seay, Allen Johnson, Robert Donaldson, Eddie Tyson, Kristy Hudson, Ethel Fillingim, Claude Lee Rhoades, and Donald Jones.

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Separate sealed proposals will be received by the Housing Authority of the City of Elba for the following items:

Roofing of approximately 14 buildings.

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These proposals will be received by the Housing Authority until 2:00 p.m., CST, March 5, 1990, at which time they will be publicly opened and read at the Office of the Authority located in Morrow Village, 251 Deal Street, Elba, Alabama.

Inquiries for exact details of work items should be directed to the Office of the Housing Authority. Bid documents will be furnished upon request. Copies of all necessary forms will be included in bid packet.

A certified check or bid bond payable to the Housing Authority of the City of Elba in an amount not less than five percent (5 percent) of the amount of the bid must accompany bidder's proposal. Performance and Statutory Labor and Material Payments Bonds will be required at the signing of the contract. A Previous Participation Certificate shall be submitted within three (3) working days of opening of bids if not submitted with bid.

Bids should be submitted on proposal forms furnished by the Authority. Each bid must be submitted in separate envelopes clearly marked on the outside with name of contract submitted.

Attention is called to the provisions for equal employment opportunity, and payment of not less than the minimum salaries and wages as set forth in the bid packet.

Each bid must include the Non-Collusive Affidavit and the Equal Opportunity Certification, each executed and signed by bidder.

No bid may be withdrawn after the scheduled closing time for receipt of bids for a period of thirty (30) days. The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any informalities.

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## NEWS FROM OUR EARLY FILES

TEN YEARS AGO  
FEBRUARY 21, 1980

\*\*\*Mrs. Carrie Jacobs was honored Monday night, February 11, by Elba's Business and Professional Women's Club, as their Woman of the Achievement for 1980. Mrs. Jacobs, an enthusiastic member of the club, received the title at a lovely Valentine Banquet, held at Holley's cafe.

\*\*\*Picture on front page) Miss Julie Holiday was crowned 1980 Homecoming Queen at Enterprise State Junior College in activities there last Thursday night. Julie was chosen from a court of five coeds. She was nominated by Phi Theta Kappa, where she is an officer; she is also a Sophomore Senator in SGA.

\*\*\*Mrs. Cleo Roberts Hiner is a popular high school instructor in Marietta, Georgia. She recently was a guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Roberts, on By-Pass Street. Mr. Roberts is a favorite person in the Elba Nursing Home.

\*\*\*Lovers' Quarrel Golden Dreams, Dan Cupid's Choice, Mixed Emotions, Lovers' Delight, Queen of Heart Tarts and Sweethearts' Nectar were the delectable items on the menu for the Valentine Banquet held for the youth and their leaders at the Whitewater Baptist church Saturday evening, February 10, 1980.

\*\*\*The Elba City council opened bids and purchased a new backhoe, agreed to proclaim March as "Clean-up Elba Month"; and Mayor Robert Folsom defended actions of city employees doing work on private property Folsom said belonged to him. Postponed was' action on a request for a raise in firemen's pay.

TWENTY YEARS AGO  
FEBRUARY 19, 1970

\*\*\*C. F. (Neil) Grantham, of Elba, has qualified for the office of sheriff of Coffee County. Grantham qualified last Saturday morning with Democratic Committee chairman Jackson W. Stokes. Grantham is engaged in the grocery business just outside Elba.

\*\*\*The Elba City School Board received approval for their desegregation plans from Federal Judge Frank Johnson last week. The approval is based on the condition the board completes some planned construction at both the high school and the elementary school before September 1, 1970.

\*\*\*Representative Drexel Cook, of Elba announced on Monday of this week that he would not be a candidate for re-election. Several weeks ago it was rumored that he was not going to run and many of his friends and associates have since then been urging him to reconsider but Cook indicated that his family and varied businesses deserved more consideration than he had been giving them.

\*\*\*Army Warrant Officer Robert E. Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Miller, Route 1, Elba, received the Bronze Star Medal in Vietnam. WO Miller earned the

award for outstandingly meritorious service as motor officer of the 25th Infantry Division's 25th Aviation Battalion in Vietnam.

THIRTY YEARS AGO  
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\*\*\*Beauty contests usually call for good looks and a good figure, but beauty must be more than skin deep to capture the title of Queen in the contest sponsored by the National and International Chiropractic Association, announced Dr. William E. Yoham, practicing chiropractor in Elba.

\*\*\*Mrs. Robert S. Cannon will begin a leave of absence next week from writing Through The Keyhole and Society news for The Elba Clipper. Society news will be handled by Mrs. Will Kendrick who formerly wrote Society for The Clipper and therefore is known by The Clipper's readers to be well qualified.

\*\*\*James Harbrook, Jr., new manager of Gedney Motor Co., Ford dealer in Elba, has purchased a home on the Brantley highway from Harold Parker. Mr. Harbrook was a salesman for Gedney since July, 1959 until made manager recently to succeed R. A. MacLennan, of Dothan.

\*\*\*The Elba Quarterback Club honored the 1959 Elba Tiger football team with a banquet Saturday night in the school lunchroom. Coach Tom Ford of the University of Alabama and Martin Dyess, star halfback for the Tide last season, were the principal speakers.

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\*\*\*Mayor L. P. Mullins reports he

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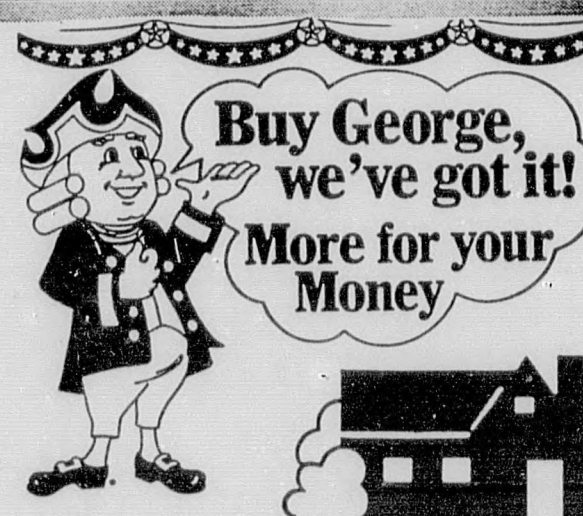
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